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SIR:

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The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the approximate date a first Official Action will be issued on this Application.

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